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RE: APPLICATION OF SAYOOD ET AL., TITLED "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
JOINT SOURCE-CHANNEL ENCODING, WITH SYMBOL DECODING AND ERROR  
CORRECTION";  
SERIAL NO. 09/816,398;  
FILE DATE: 03/24/2001;  
ART UNIT: 2133;  
EXAMINER: DIPAKKUMAR GANDHI.

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Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of an Action dated 02/05/04 regarding the  
Application.

Please note that New Dependent Claims numbered 19 - 21 are  
added herein. In view of Cancellation of Original Dependent  
Claim 18, this brings the total Number of Pending Claims to  
Twenty (20), hence it is believed that no New Fees are required.

The Examiner has Rejected Claims 1-11 and 18, but Allowed  
Claims 12-16 with indication that Claim 18 will be Allowed upon  
correction of a spelling error. Herein Claim 18 is corrected  
and Amended into Claim 17, thereby putting Claims 12 - 17 in  
order for Allowance. Claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11 are  
also Amended to better distinguish over the the art cited by the  
Examiner.

Attached hereto is a Declaration by the Inventors which the  
Examiner is respectfully requested to study prior to proceeding.

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